



THURSDAY EVENING, SEP. 14, 1905.

PREACHING young people into matrimony has been successfully practiced by Rev. J. W. Nickelson, of the First M. E. Church, in Palmyra, N. J. Six young couples, all attendants of his church, have linked their fortunes for life in the last few days, while seven more couples have announced their engagements and intention of speedy marriage. The sermons which have proved so influential in deciding bashful swains to take the plunge and timid young maidens to agree to run in double harness henceforth, were delivered at Sunday evening services when the congregations consisted largely of the younger members of the flock. As there are between 200 and 300 unmarried members of the church Pastor Nickelson had fruitful soil for his words to flourish in, and as the marriage epidemic seems to be spreading in his congregation with more speed than the cholera is in Europe, there is no telling how many blushing brides and stammering grooms will pass over a wedding fee to their pastor before the effects of his stimulating sermons have died away. So impressed were many members of the congregation with the sermons of this aid-de-camp of Cupid that they were not doing their duty by their country in remaining single and that if they waited much longer the future prospects of a comfortable home would look blue that 12 of them hastened to their minister and took the mutual vows which made them feel more comfortable on the score of a home. Engagements between 14 more young people of the town have been announced within a few days, and it is rumored that a number more will be announced during the coming week.

AN eighty-year-old book recently picked up at a second-hand book store in Washington raises the question as to whether there is any reason for the pride Secretary Wilson shows in his corps of sick and well-fed scientists, who, he declared a short time ago, were half starved when he came to the headship of the Department of Agriculture. The book is "The Memoirs of the Philadelphia Society for the Promotion of Agriculture." It was published at Philadelphia in 1826, and contained matter then five years old. In the memoirs is an article by John Blomfield, an Englishman, who wrote in 1821. In this article he wrote: "I shall now give you the method of preparing and inoculating land for permanent pasture." Soil inoculation is one of the things on which Dr. Moore, one of the scientists who resigned from the department because of revelations respecting nitro-culture manufacturing enterprises, built his reputation. He has been held up as practically the inventor of soil inoculation. The old book shows that soil inoculation is one of the things known long before this government ever thought of establishing a Department of Agriculture.

THE INROADS being made by manufacturers of adulterated foodstuffs are menacing the health of the nation. Such was the announcement yesterday of Professor Eugene Girard, expert of the Hotel Stewards' National Association, which is in session at Atlantic City. Professor Girard based his statement on 2,000 examinations and upon personal experiments of the effect of adulterations upon animals, which suffered, "wasted and died from the effects of the poisons in foodstuffs. Prof. Girard but reiterates what people have been asserting for the past third of a century, and that many persons die from slow poison in food is the belief of the large majority. Other countries have enacted laws which in a measure minimize the danger from adulterated food, and impose severe penalties upon unscrupulous manufacturers of canned goods and other articles of consumption, but in the United States those who adulterate seem to have as firm a hold upon law-makers as have the trusts.

WITH three sweet-faced children, ranging in ages from 1 to 5 years, at her side, a well-dressed woman was found helpless on the sidewalk at Hudson and Federal streets, Camden, N. J., last night. She was too much intoxicated to give her name. The children were endeavoring to get their mother upon her feet when a policeman appeared. There are many object lessons in life, and intemperance causes numerous scenes. A drunken man excites the commiseration of many, but when a woman so far forgets herself as to put an enemy into her mouth to steal away her brains the sight she presents is sad. Recent developments show that this species of debauchery is by no means restricted to those in the lower walks of life, but that women in affluence and supposed to move in different circles often tarry too long at the wine for their good.

IT HAS frequently been stated in the Gazette that the weekly reports sent from China to this country stating that the boycott against American goods had ended were a little suspicious. Now

comes a dispatch from Shanghai which says the American boycott in China is not only a commercial menace, but is now considered by many to be the forerunner of an anti-foreign agitation. Business men in Shanghai who at the beginning were inclined to laugh have been astonished at the manner in which the propaganda has been promulgated in the interior.

RECIPROCITY republicans in Massachusetts demand that the State convention of their party adopt a plank declaring for free hides, coal, iron ore, lumber and wood pulp, that many other duties be reduced and that only persons favoring these views shall be nominated by the convention. Last year, says the Philadelphia Record, the reciprocity republicans made a little, but only a little, impression upon their party, but they are keeping up the fight and showing signs of growing strength.

THE suggestion of the Philadelphia North American that what the country needs is a company that will insure policy holders against their directors, will be indorsed by every property holder in the country, especially after recent insurance developments in New York.

From Washington.

(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.)

Washington, D. C., Sept. 14.—Officials of the State and Navy Departments were much disturbed this morning over the publication of the intention of the United States to send a warship to Nicaragua with Minister Merriv aboard to protect Mr. William S. Albers, the American citizen who has been thrown into prison for an alleged insult to the President of Nicaragua. It appears that the order to send a vessel to Nicaragua was given by the President and it was greatly desired to maintain the strictest secrecy about the intentions of the government. While there is absolutely no doubt that the United States will send either the gunboat Princeton or some other war ship to Nicaragua, no confirmation is vouchsafed by the State or Navy Departments. Because of reports received here from agents of the government in Nicaragua the President has decided that drastic action is necessary to uphold the dignity of the United States and to protect Mr. Albers and his brother, both of whom are still in a Nicaraguan prison without cause. The matter is considered very serious by the government and the Nicaraguan authorities will certainly be made to render justice to the American citizens whom they have in prison. There is reason to believe that Minister Merriv has urged that a warship be sent to support any demands he may make upon Nicaragua and that his recommendation has received the unqualified approval of the President and the authorities at the State Department.

President Samuel Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, has issued a circular letter enlisting the aid of the federation members for the striking shirt waist and laundry workers at Troy, New York, 700 of whom have been on strike for 6 weeks, having refused to use machines in the starching process at a reduction from 4 cents to 2 cents per dozen collars. President J. W. Smiley, of the Troy local union, asked the aid of all the union men in pressing the strike. The national organization has approved the strike and endorses the appeal.

In the further investigation into the leak of the cotton reports of the Department of Agriculture, the officials will have to proceed without the direct testimony of John Hyde, formerly chief statistician of the bureau of statistics. Special Counsel Beach in charge of the cases has received from Mr. Hyde, who is now in England under the treatment of physicians and visiting relatives, an affidavit, setting forth what he knows of the case. This statement was made at the request of Mr. Beach when Mr. Hyde wrote to Secretary Wilson some time ago that his return to America would be delayed until he could consult with his physicians. Further then its going into details and answering certain questions which the attorney desired information upon, nothing is made public in regard to the affidavit. It is believed that Mr. Hyde will not be urged further to return.

The State Department has cabled U. S. Minister Beaupre, at Buenos Aires asking for information about the reported intention of the Argentine government to establish a prohibitive tariff on parts of agricultural machinery necessary for repairs. He has also been instructed to do what he can to secure a modification of the proposed tariff.

No action has been taken by the Civil Service Commission in the case of William R. Lieb, assistant United States Treasurer at Philadelphia, Pa., according to Chief Examiner Kiggins. Papers were filed, however, sometime ago, charging pernicious activity in politics in direct violation of the civil service rules and the collection of campaign funds from government employees, both of which were preferred by the Civil Service Commission, but the case was apparently dropped. The new charges which have been forwarded to Oyster Bay charge Lieb with the violation of President Roosevelt's order prohibiting federal officeholders from taking part in politics and alleged that the assistant treasurer had created public scandal by his activity in political matters in Schuylkill county.

partment of Justice would like to see it arranged so that Judge Lewis can return to his old post after November. Although Mr. Talley has been named for the place, it is pretty well understood he will gladly give way to the reapportionment of Judge Lewis next November.

Nominations for officers of the National Association of Master Bakers for the ensuing year were made this morning. Elections for contested offices will be held tomorrow. Adolph Boettler, of St. Louis, who, as vice president, has presided over the present convention, and J. Howard Smith, of Kansas City, Mo., were nominated to succeed Martin Simon, of Cincinnati, O., as president. William Frehofer, of Philadelphia, Pa., was the only candidate nominated for vice president, while Charles E. Abbott, of New York city, and H. K. Clissold, of Chicago, Ill., were the only candidates nominated to succeed themselves, respectively, as treasurer and secretary. The next convention will probably be held in New York city.

Consul General Sammons, at Nien-chung, has cabled to the State Department the important information that the Japanese government has removed all restrictions on shipments of goods by river into the interior of Manchuria and that large quantities of American products and manufactures are now being sent forward. Mr. Sammons also says that the Chinese officials of Nien-chung have given him a banquet at which they declared that the boycott against American goods had been suppressed. This is taken here to refer to the boycott as it had manifested itself at Nien-chung. The seriousness of the boycott situation in China proper is the subject of a mail report to the department by United States Consul General Rodgers at Shanghai.

Surgeon General Wyman, of the Marine Hospital Service, has received a report from Past Assistant Surgeon Goldberger saying that Mobile, Ala., is free from yellow fever infection.

The police are investigating a report made by Mrs. Ada Turner, a white woman, who says she was criminally assaulted by a negro at her home, 1245 G street southeast. She says the negro seized her and finally she became unconscious, when he fled. She says she can identify her assailant.

News of the Day.

A seat on the New York stock exchange sold yesterday for \$84,000, a new record price.

A woman corset expert in New York declares that within 10 years most men will wear corsets.

The eruption of Vesuvius continues as during the last few days, but without tending to increase. On the other hand, according to a telegram to Mattino, Stromboli is causing great alarm. Its crater is emitting a high pillar of fire and dense smoke, accompanied by loud noises.

William J. Powell, colored, United States minister to Haiti, who is on leave of absence at his home in Camden, N. J., announces his intention of tendering his resignation to President Roosevelt at once. He gives as his reason for resigning the prevalence of revolutions, riots, and fevers in Haiti. Powell at one time taught one of the public schools in this city.

Charging that her husband entrapped her in the Continental Hotel, Philadelphia, and by a conspiracy with a female detective made it appear that she had met a man there, Mrs. Grace M. Fulmer, applied to the Supreme Court of New York yesterday for \$5,000 counsel fee and \$150 a week alimony pending the trial of a divorce action brought against her.

Miss A. W. Wilkey, of Washington, was found dead in her room at the Manhattan Hotel, in New York, yesterday, shot near the right temple and with a cup near her containing the drops of a poison. A revolver, with one empty chamber, which lay beside the body, caused the coroner to begin his investigation on the theory that the young woman had taken her own life. A note was found in the room signed "Miss W. A. Wilkey," containing only the statement that her body would be called for. The woman registered at the hotel Thursday. She was well dressed and of good appearance.

According to telegrams received from Belgrade, a plot has been discovered there and at Sofia to foment a general outbreak in the Balkans, with a view of compelling the interference of the powers, in the hope that Macedonian autonomy would be proclaimed. The alleged plot, the telegrams say, included an intention to assassinate King Peter of Serbia and Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria. Those engaged in the plot at Sofia have been imprisoned. It is added that the recent attempt to assassinate the Sultan of Turkey in the court yard of the mosque at Constantinople is supposed to have been the work of the same organization.

Union labor once more barred the way of a funeral cortege in Chicago yesterday. The incident occurred when Mayor Dunne and members of the city council started from the city hall in carriages to attend the funeral of Alderman Patterson. As the aldermen were entering the carriages W. J. Gibbons, business agent for the cab drivers and delivery men's union, discovered that the drivers were not wearing their union buttons. He at once went to each driver and ordered that the union buttons should be displayed prominently or he would not permit the carriages to start. Those drivers who had no buttons, but were union members, had to purchase them from the business agent.

Nearly 1,000 Episcopalians, clergymen and laymen will next week go into a "retreat" from the world, and will for four days lead a communal life in Chicago, much like that of monks in a cloister. The "retreat" will be in the tower group of buildings at the University of Chicago. The participants will be the delegates to the twentieth annual convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. This great denominational fraternity numbers 18,000 members. The idea of the "retreat" will be carried out consistently during the four days the delegates will be in Chicago. The delegates will not necessarily be cut off from the world, but those who wish may live so as to see no one except members of the brotherhood from Wednesday to Sunday evening.

Startling Mortality.

Statistics show startling mortality, from appendicitis and peritonitis. To prevent and cure these awful diseases, there is just one reliable remedy, Dr. King's New Life Pills. E. Flannery, of 14 Custom House Place, Chicago, who has made the stomach, bowels, constipation and biliousness, 25c at E. S. Leadbeater, & Sons, druggists.

Virginia News.

A marriage license was issued in Washington yesterday to Charles H. Hild and Mary E. Magee, and to Oden N. Casey and Lulu Haycock, both of Leesburg.

L. K. Culberson, charged with election frauds in the municipal primary was brought to Richmond last night by an officer from York, Pa. He will be arraigned later.

Mrs. Oscar Gresham, of Caroline county, died at her home near Bowling Green Monday night after a lingering illness aged sixty-three years. She is survived by her husband.

The flour and corn mills of the Lynchburg Milling Company was partly burned early yesterday and the loss, which is partly insured, is estimated at several thousand dollars, the principal damage being due to water.

Charles Dean, who murdered Fletcher Hawkins last April, was hanged yesterday morning at New Castle, Craig county. Both slayer and victim were negroes. This is the county's first execution since 1863, when a girl slave was hanged for attempting to kill her owner.

Mrs. Ellen Bernard Lee, widow of Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, has written to Mayor Carlton McCarthy, of Richmond, thanking Richmond for the honor done the memory of Gen. Lee when he was buried there. Mrs. Lee wrote from San Francisco, where she is en route to the Philippines.

Chap Ramsey, who shot and killed his nephew, William Ramsey, at Rocky Mount, on September 3, gave himself up to Deputy Sheriff T. A. Ramsey, of Henry county, Tuesday night, and was carried from Henry to Franklin county jail. He claims the killing to have been in self-defense, and says he would have given up at once, but feared mob violence.

A now phrase was brought to light yesterday in the union printers' strike in Richmond for an eight-hour day, when it was announced that unless the employers accede to the demands of the men a co-operative job office will be started by the strikers, with a view to taking the work which the employing job printers will be unable to do for lack of men.

President Roosevelt at Oyster Bay, L. I., yesterday signed the commission of Robert H. Tally, of Norfolk, Va., as the United States District Attorney for the Eastern district of Virginia. Mr. Tally was appointed to succeed District Attorney L. L. Lewis, whose resignation was accepted in order that he might become a candidate on the republican ticket for Governor.

The State board of education has awarded the contract for printing the new edition of the Virginia School Register to the Hermitage Press, L. H. Jenkins, president and manager. The award was made yesterday and the work is to be done at once. Two thousand copies of the register are to be prepared forthwith, and are to be ready for distribution in two weeks. Instead of paying 75 cents for the register, as under the old scheme, the books are to cost 15 cents each. They are to be smaller than the old register and will last for one term only.

A dispatch from Winchester states that Major Edward Contee Johnson, son of the late Hon. Reverdy Johnson, United States Senator and Minister to England, dropped dead shortly before sundown yesterday evening at his country place, at Millwood, Clarke county, from an attack of apoplexy. The illness was very sudden and unexpected and Major Johnson expired before a physician could be procured. Up to the time he was seized he was supposed to be in robust health. Major Johnson was formerly lessee of the famous old Tyler House, of Baltimore, and had been living in Clarke county two years. He was about 60 years old and leaves a widow, two daughters (Miss Mary Bowie and Annie Johnson) and a number of sisters and brothers living in various parts of the country.

Black Horse Cavalry.

The Black Horse Cavalry were raised in Fauquier county, and were in the Fourth Cavalry (Fitzhugh Lee's old regiment). They served with their commander during the campaigns, but when Lee's army went into winter quarters the Black Horse were sent to their native county, which was inside of the enemy's lines, with instructions to do all the damage they could. And they did it. The men were on their native heath, knew every hog path and cattle track, could traverse the country as well by night as by day, were in close communication with each other, and, stimulated by a fiery enthusiasm and generous rivalry, they were scourge to the Army of the Potomac.

The reunion of the command this year was held at the lovely residence of Comrade Melville Withers, adjoining the Fauquier White Sulphur Springs, on September 6. Mr. Withers was one of the most gallant men of that gallant band. Twenty-eight answered the roll call. An elegant entertainment was served which the veterans attacked with their old war-time ardor. No speeches were made, and the day was passed in a quiet but most enjoyable manner. Many of the most noted scouts of the command were present.

John P. Robinson, of Alexandria; Moses Green, who represents the county in the Legislature; Edward Armstrong, R. A. Hart, the tallest man in the command; E. C. Holtzman, Theodore Pilcher, who served the county in the Legislature for many years; Frank Duke, John K. Taliaferro, T. M. Lomax, S. F. G. Beale, S. S. Jones, William H. Lewis, John R. Turner, Edward Cologne, Thomas A. Fant, William Jones, Robert Mitchell, Elias McDonald, Cassius Carter, Bolivar Ward, Robert Florence, W. K. Skinner, E. L. Fisher, George H. Carter, Benton Fletcher, Alex. Hunter and George Johnson—all good soldiers, who did their duty well—completed the group. Among the ladies, who were uniting in their efforts to entertain the veterans, were the lovely wife of the host and his two daughters, Misses Ella and Edith; Mrs. William Jones, Misses Jennie Jeffreys, Mary Abby and Lila Brown.

Always Successful.

When indigestion becomes chronic it is dangerous. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will cure indigestion and all troubles resulting therefrom thus preventing Catarrh of the Stomach. Dr. Newburgh of League, W. Va., says: "To those suffering from indigestion or sour stomach I would say there is no better remedy than Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. I have prescribed it for a number of my patients with good success." Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat and makes the stomach sweet. Sold by W. F. Creighton & Co., 401 King street.

Today's Telegraphic News

Cold Wave.
Geneva, N. Y., Sept. 14.—A cold wave descended upon this city and vicinity last night and gardeners and florists report the first frost of the season this morning. It was a real nipping frost that brought fear for the safety of many of the crops.

New York, Sept. 14.—The weather today is clear, but cold. Beginning last night, the temperature took a decided drop and it was the coldest night of the present season. Frost is reported in many sections of the State resulting in considerable crop damage.

Kane, Pa., Sept. 14.—Half an inch of snow fell here last night, and this morning. At other places along the Philadelphia & Erie Railroad line, snow flurries are also reported. The weather is decidedly cold.

Boston, Mass., Sept. 14.—Only the high wind which prevailed all night saved the cranberry crops in the Cape Cod towns from destruction by heavy white frost, which, as the result of the sudden and unexpected drop in the temperature, has covered the lowlands of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and Massachusetts like a sheet. Temperatures all over the New England States fell materially, in many places reaching the freezing point. Snow fell in northern Vermont, in northern New Hampshire it rained heavily, followed by a sudden drop in the temperature of 33 degrees, and today the entire White Mountain district is especially deserving of the name, for it is white with heavy frost. The freezing point was reached at Augusta, Maine, Concord and Fabyan, New Hampshire.

Sentence Quashed.

Constantinople, Sept. 14.—The Court of Appeals has quashed the sentence of death pronounced on Ghirgis Vartanian, the naturalized American citizen, condemned for the murder of the Armenian merchant Unkjan. A new trial has now been ordered for Vartanian. United States Minister Leishman recently took up the case of Vartanian. The Turkish police denied the American consul permission to communicate with Vartanian, refusing to recognize him as an American citizen, as he is an Armenian by birth. A formal protest was then lodged with the Porte by Mr. Leishman.

Another Victim.

Manchester, Eng., Sept. 14.—More operations of the dentist, who for some time had an office here and who is supposed to be the American bigamist, Dr. Witthof, are coming to light. The latest victim of the bigamist, it develops, was a beautiful 20 year old girl, whose name is Alice Bell. She was married to the supposed Witthof, who used the name of A. C. Westen, at the registrar's office here on May 10. The following month a child was born to the woman. The police believe that Westen or Witthof is now in Paris.

Komura's Condition.

New York, Sept. 14.—Mr. Sato, the spokesman for the Japanese peace plenipotentiaries, asked at the Waldorf-Astoria today as to the condition of Baron Komura, said that doctors Dalsfield and Pritchard, after an examination this morning, found that the Baron had passed a comfortable night and that his condition this morning was unchanged. They did not state definitely what the Baron's ailment is, but said it might be typhoid fever or gall stones.

Yellow Fever.

New Orleans, Sept. 14.—There have been 16 new cases in Patterson yet the death rate remains small. At Riverside plantation, where there is a population of 191 people, there have been 180 cases of fever. At Lake Providence there were three deaths and seven new cases. The total number of cases in the city Wednesday was 43, with four deaths.

New Orleans, Sept. 14.—Up to noon today, 15 new cases of yellow fever, and three deaths had been reported.

Sixteen Gypsies Drowned.

Madrid, Sept. 14.—Sixteen gypsies, members of a party of twenty-one, which was camping on the bank of a river near the Valencia, were drowned last night by the sudden rising of the river. A storm overtook the gypsies in their camp, and the heavy rain caused the river to rise suddenly to an unprecedented height, flooding the camp with the result stated.

Execution of a Murderer.

Raleigh, N. C., September 14.—Will Adams, a negro, was executed in the county jail here this morning for the murder of Mary Bridgers, colored, and her infant child, over a year and a half ago. Adams was convicted on circumstantial evidence, but there appears to be no doubt of his guilt. The execution was private.

A Remedy Without a Peer.

"I find Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets more beneficial than any other remedy I ever used for stomach trouble," says J. P. Klote, of Edina, Mo. For any disorder of the stomach, biliousness or constipation, these Tablets are without a peer. For sale by Gibson & Timberman and W. F. Creighton & Co.

Body Unidentified.

New York, Sept. 14.—The body of the woman who registered at the Manhattan Hotel on Tuesday evening under the name of Miss A. W. Wiley, of Washington, D. C., and who committed suicide by shooting herself in the right temple, still lies unidentified in a cheap wooden casket in an undertaker's office.

Big Defaultation.

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 14.—Governor Hanley found State Auditor Sherrick a defaulter for \$145,000 today.

New York Stock Market.

New York, Sept. 14.—Apparently a little too much short interest was put out just before the close yesterday, leaving the market sensitive to bull influence today. It responded easily where buying orders appeared and material advances were made during the first hour in nearly all the active issues.

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pledged to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

Sold by all Druggists, 75c.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

The Treaty.

Tokio, Sept. 14.—Premier Katsura today called all of the local governors to the palace and, after informing them that the treaty of Portsmouth meets with the full approval of the government, took occasion to appeal to their love for their country to use all of their personal influence to impress on the people at large the fact that the concessions obtained by Japan through the provisions of the treaty will mean very much to the future welfare of the nation.

Yokohama, Sept. 14.—Troops are still on duty here guarding foreign consulates, churches, settlements, and hotels although there is no outward indication that there will be any further trouble, and last night passed off quietly. The anger of the mobs has up to the present been entirely directed against the police and the placing of soldiers on guard was appeased the crowd, inasmuch as the soldiers are very popular. Tuesday night's rioting was the direct result of agitation of the Young Japan movement who made speeches on the several street corners and inflamed the populace so that a direct attack was made on the police boxes which were burned. So soon as the troops arrived from Tokio, the mob dispersed. Many arrests have been made.

Thousands for Wife's Release.

A mother's desire to see more of her boy, now in the custody of his father, has brought out the story of how a rich New York cotton broker paid the husband \$5,000 to set her free so he could wed her. The woman is Mrs. Paul McCormack, who is living at 316 West Ninety-fifth street. She was formerly the wife of C. E. Converse, a Poughkeepsie merchant. The record of this agreement, by which Converse sold his wife for \$5,000, is filed in the Dutchess County Court. It is a written agreement, by which Mrs. McCormack agreed to secure for Converse \$5,000 for himself and \$2,000 for his lawyer if he would get an absolute divorce. The agreement was carried out and then McCormack married Mrs. Converse. Mrs. McCormack did not know of how she had been bartered, according to her lawyer, A. H. Hummel. The woman said today: "I did not know until long afterward that Mr. McCormack had paid Mr. Converse any money. I agreed to the suit to avoid publicity, and with the stipulation that I was to see my boy when I desired. I have been allowed to see him only three hours a month, and so I have started a new fight, and all this has come out."

Foot in a Frog.

Philadelphia, Sept. 14.—With his foot caught in a railroad frog at Ninth and Jefferson streets last night, Joseph Wisceczek shrieked in vain for help as a white train was backed, rapidly toward him. The noise made by the rumbling freight cars and the locomotive drowned his voice and he was knocked down and horribly mangled before the engineer knew that there had been an accident. When found both legs were completely severed at the hips, the left still caught in the relentless grasp of the frog; both hands were cut off, several ribs fractured and the skull was laid bare. He was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital, where he expired within an hour without regaining consciousness. Wisceczek was hunting for work, and while walking disconsolately across the tracks his feet caught in the deadly frog. Although he worked desperately to free his foot the train reached him before he could free himself.

Struck by Bridge.

Providence, R. I., Sept. 14.—While seven young men were stealing a ride on top of an express freight bound for this city, three were struck by a low bridge and, writhing in agony, were held aboard by the others only after a terrible struggle lasting hours. One, who is the son of the Chief of Police of Middletown, Conn., has died of his injuries, another may die, while the third is likely to recover.

Significant Purchases.

Copenhagen, Sept. 14.—A dispatch received from Stockholm says that the Swedish government today purchased large quantities of provisions for immediate delivery at Gothenburg. When the order was given for these supplies, the chief condition made was that they should be delivered in the shortest possible time.

Baby Scalded to Death.

Pittsburg, Pa., Sept. 14.—Mrs. John Mohill, conducts a boarding house at Port Griffith and boils the coffee in a big pot. Yesterday evening she set the pot on the floor and her 16-months-old baby fell into it and was scalded to death. The baby was found head foremost in the pot.

The Carina.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 14.—It is reported that the stork will soon pay a visit to the Carina.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Patrick A. Collins, Mayor of Boston, died at Hot Springs, Va., today.

W. D. Ryder, owner and proprietor of the Ryder Hotel, the leading hostelry of Cambridge Springs, Pa., died suddenly of apoplexy yesterday.

During the progress of an automobile race held at Douglas, Isle of Man, this morning, one of the contestants ran over two children. Another of the racers ran into a house but he escaped without injury.

The American Smelting and Refining Company today declared a quarterly dividend of 1 3/4 per cent. on the common stock—an increase of 1/2 per cent. quarterly, or 2 per cent. per annum, and puts the stock on a seven per cent. basis.

COURT OF APPEALS.

In the Court of Appeals at Staunton yesterday the case of Rankin vs. the town of Harrisonburg was argued and submitted.

The next cases will be Donahue vs. Harrisonburg and Clark vs. Roller.

Letter to H. W. Whit.

Alexandria, Va.
Dear Sir: Would you like to hear of a 20 year old man?
Mr. James A. O'Neill's house, Henderson, N. C. was painted 20 years ago with Devco lead and zinc, and never painted again till last year; it then looked better than common paint in half that time.
The reason is. Devco is all paint and true paint; while the common paints are part true and part false. Don't pay to monkey with paint.
And Devco costs less than any of 'em; not by the gallon, of course; by the house and year. That's how to reckon it. Go by the name
Yours truly,
F. W. DEVCO & CO.
New York
P. S.—E. S. Leadbeater & Sons sell our paint.

Accuses Mr. Lipcomb.

Thomas M. Fields in a petition to be made co-defendant in the suit of the Washington Beneficial Endowment Association against the Commercial Life Insurance Company, filed in Washington yesterday in the District Supreme Court, made charges against Andrew A. Lipcomb. The petition is in reply to that recently filed by the latter.

"I aver and am prepared to prove, not only by the documentary and parol testimony in the second trial, but by other far more important and material evidence which was not produced or offered at the trial, including various credible, disinterested witnesses having distinct personal knowledge of the facts, only one of whom was compelled to give such facts on his second trial, that Lipscomb received into his personal possession and retained about \$12,000 of the fund, no part of which he has accounted for or paid over as directed by the decree, but the whole of which he has denied that he ever received at all," the petition states. "By the efforts of Mr. Lipcomb I have been indicted, converted the money as the distributives, but have been guilty and acquitted of that crime."

The Troubles in the Caucasus.

The body of Gen. Prince Amila Khoori, former governor general of Baku, who was intrusted recently with a special mission to the Caucasus, is lying in a house near Tiflis. The revolutionaries threaten death to the local priest if he prays for the coffin ship. Nobody dares approach the house. Troops have been dispatched to bring the corpse to Tiflis. Disorders are expected at the funeral.

The Mayor and several members of the town council have resigned as a protest against the killing and wounding of social democrats by Cossacks at the town hall Monday night.

According to a report received from Elizabethopol, a temporary peace has been declared between the Muslims and Armenians as the result of intervention by the clergy. Both the administration and the Christian population are much surprised that the Tartars should be so well armed. In many districts the ammunition of the troops has been exhausted, while the Tartars still have an ample supply.